MISSION TO NEXUS PRIME

Rossh Mission Voiceovers

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MISSION 1: BE IT EVER SO HUMBLE...

Brood-subservient, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. Your landing at Point Thirty-Seven is noted; well and properly done.

Your Dragon Warriors will secure your area, clearing it of all alien hazards.

Your grotto is my grotto; execute your orders.

18 sec

MISSION 2: THERE GOES THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Brood-subservient, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. Your securing of the area is noted; well and properly done.

A Precursor ruin has been located near your territory at Point Thirty-Eight. Your Brood Segment will travel there and secure the region for future study by our Savants. Enemy warriors have also been noted in the area; beware of them.

Your grotto is my grotto; execute your orders.

30 sec

MISSION 3: THE BEST DEFENSE...

Brood-subservient, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. Your securing of the Precursor ruin is noted; well and properly done.

The intrusion of enemy warriors into your territory has been deemed to be intolerable. You Brood Segment has been granted new war units, which it will utilize in the destruction of the enemy outpost.

Your grotto is my grotto; execute your orders.

25 sec

MISSION 4: RUN AWAY, RUN AWAY

Brood-subservient, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. A serious situation has developed at Point Twenty-Two in the territory defended by Brood-subservient Moacch. He has been killed, his Brood Segment has been left directionless, and enemy warriors are attempting to overrun his command grotto.

Your Brood Segment will travel there immediately, and you will assume leadership of the Brood Segment. You will assist the survivors to escape via Jumpstrike pad, destroying all existing Rossh structures to prevent the enemy from capturing them.

Your grotto is my grotto; execute your orders.

40 sec

MISSION 5: JUICE RUN

Brood-subservient, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. Your successful retreat assistance is noted; well and properly done. Brood-subservient Moacch's Brood Segment is hereby joined to yours, creating a Brood Group, and you are hereby raised to the status of Brood-quadrinary. May your brood increase!

21 sec

Your successes have persuaded me to relieve you of ordinary territorial defense duties for service in more challenging matters. Your Brood Group will therefore proceed to the volcano at Point Seventy-One to assist in the defense of a Brood Segment engaged in the vital collection of galvanic liquid. The enemy has also created outposts in the territory, which must all be destroyed.

Your grotto is my grotto; execute your orders.

50 sec

MISSION 6: SCAVENGER HUNT

Brood-quadrinary, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. Your successful defense of the galvanic liquid collectors is noted;

well and properly done.

10 sec

The Secondary Longreach Gate has been established, enabling us to obtain larger war units. Master Savant Chhim has also arrived with his Brood Segment of Savants and is eager to put them to work.

24 sec total

Your Brood Group will escort a group of them to a Precursor ruin that has been noted at Point Fifty-Four. The enemy are also constructing an outpost in that territory; beware of them.
Your grotto is my grotto; execute your orders.

41 sec total

MISSION 7: LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

Brood-quadrinary, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. A crisis of leadership has come upon us, and I must call upon you and your Brood Group for support.

10 sec
At my order, Master Chameleon Prahh has sent a Chameleon into an enemy outpost at Point Eighty-Nine, where he has succeeded in taking up excellent position near the enemy debating nucleus.

24 total

However, in an act of defiance against my leadership, Broodsecondary Ymmrish has ordered an attack against this same enemy outpost. If this attack is permitted to go forth, it will destroy an opportunity for us to gain valuable enemy information in the future.

42 total

I have no choice but to thwart his plan in the only way I can; and as one sworn to my service, you must assist me in my endeavor. Your Brood Group is therefore ordered to Point Eighty-

Nine to defend the enemy outpost there. Your must do so without provoking them to battle; indeed, you must defend them without their even becoming aware of your presence.

Your grotto is my grotto; your nesting is my nesting. Execute your orders.

1.12 sec total

MISSION 8: KEEPAWAY

Brood-quadrinary, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. Your recent battle success is noted. While it was no doubt difficult for you, it was indeed well and properly done.

But the crisis of leadership is not yet finished. Master Chameleon Prahh has informed me that an important Precursor artifact has been captured by the enemy and is being studied in an outpost at Point One-Thirty-Five. Broodsecondary Ymmrish has again defied my orders and is building a base with which to launch an attack upon this outpost. I fear this attack will result in the destruction of the artifact rather than its capture.

42 sec

Your Brood Group will therefore proceed to the enemy outpost and capture the artifact intact. You will also seek to capture the enemy vehicle repair nucleus intact so as to obtain as many enemy vehicles as possible. The reason for this will be given once your have succeeded.

Your grotto is my grotto; your nesting is my nesting. Execute your orders.

1.06 sec total

MISSION 9: MASQUERADE

Brood-quadrinary, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. Your successful capture of the Precursor artifact is noted; Master Savant Chhim has received the unit and is even now studying it. Well and properly done.

It is now time to bring this leadership crisis to an end. As previously stated, the rebellious Broodsecondary Ymmrish has built an outpost near the former enemy outpost at Point One-Thirty-Five and is preparing to sent his forces against it.

Using the enemy vehicles you have captured, your Brood Group is to defeat these forces without permitting them to realize they fight their fellow Rossh.

Your grotto is my grotto; your nesting is my nesting; and you hold my leadership in your claws. Execute your orders.

49 sec

MISSION 10: A BIRD IN THE HAND...

Brood-quadrinary, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. Your recent battle success is noted; well and properly done. Broodsecondary Ymmrish's defiance has been eliminated, and the warriors and war units of his Brood Tenth have been distributed to other leaders. A portion will be added to your Brood Group, bringing its strength to that of a Brood Hundredth, and you are in turn hereby raised to the status of Brood-tertiary. May your brood increase!

29 sec

Master Savant Chhim has declared the Precursor artifact to be a device he has titled a "Glidesnake Destructor." He believes that while it is operating it will prevent all glidesnakes, Rossh and enemy alike, from flying.

44 sec total

As the enemy has a great superiority in glidesnake war units, this will allow us an unusual advantage as long as it is able to operate.

Your Brood Hundredth will proceed to Point Two-Hundred-Fifty and destroy the enemy outpost there. Master Savant Chimm will join your forces there to operate the Glidesnake Destructor.

Your grotto is my grotto; your nesting is my nesting; and you hold my leadership in your claws. Execute your orders.

1.16 sec total

MISSION 11: ...IS WORTH TWO IN THE BUSH

Brood-tertiary, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. I note with

extreme concern that your Brood Hundredth has also fallen prey to the mysterious plague that has swept through all Rossh forces present at the battle of Point Two-Hundred-Fifty. The disease has now spread to the Artisans constructing the Final Longreach Gate, halting work on that vital task.

23 sec.

Our single thought is that the herd of creatures who traversed Point Two-Hundred-Fifty during the battle have passed this plague on to the Dragon Warriors. A chameleon at Point Two-Hundred-Ten has reported that the enemy has captured one of the creatures from that herd and is examining it at an outpost there.

44 sec total

Those of your Brood Hundredth who are able will proceed to that outpost, providing escort for Master Savant Chhim. He will locate and retrieve all enemy data on the plague and return it here to the central Savant Grotto, where we will hope to find a cure.

Your grotto is my grotto; your nesting is my nesting. Execute your orders.

1.08 sec total

MISSION 12: WITH EVERY HAND AGAINST ME

Brood-quadrinary, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. Your successful capture of enemy plague data is noted; well and properly done.

The Dragon Warriors and Artisans have been cured and our forces are once again at full strength. But critical time has been lost, and there is no longer a possibility that our final Longreach Gate will be completed before the enemy's unless we are able to slow or halt their construction.

26 sec.

I am preparing a wide-scale attack in which your Brood Hundredth will of course participate. The preparations are not yet complete, though; and until they are we must prevent the enemy from obtaining additional Precursor artifacts.

Your Brood Hundredth will therefore proceed to the Precursor ruin at Point One-Hundred-Eighty-Seven. The enemy has established an outpost there, and Master Chameleon Prahh has stated that the enemy savants believe an artifact of great power is located there. You must defeat the enemy and retrieve that artifact from the ruin.

Your grotto is my grotto; your nesting is my nesting. Execute your orders.

1.07 sec total

MISSION 13: BLIND MAN'S BLUFF

Brood-quadrinary, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. Your successful capture of the Precursor artifact is noted; well and properly done.

This artifact is an unlooked-for prize: a weapon with which we may yet destroy the enemy's hope of ultimately controlling the Nexus Prime Far-Web point. Titled the "Vulcan's Hammer" by the enemy savants, it will when activated draw magma up from the planetary crust to create a volcano.

30 sec.

The challenge now will be to restructure our attack to bring the artifact into proximity to the enemy's Final Longreach Gate and destroy it. To accomplish this task, the enemy must first be blinded to our plans.

Your Brood Hundredth will therefore proceed to the enemy outpost at Point Three-Hundred-Twelve, where you will destroy their forces and create a Farsight Blinder array to prevent them from observing our approaching Dragon Warriors and war units.

Your grotto is my grotto; your nesting is my nesting. Execute your orders.

1.10 sec total

MISSION 14: HAMMERFALL

Brood-quadrinary, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. Your successful creation of the Farsight Blinder array is noted; well and properly done.

All is finally prepared for our assault on the enemy's Final Longreach Gate. Your many successes have been noted; and

in recognition you are hereby raised to the status of Broodsecondary, with your Brood Hundredth increased to Brood Tenth. May your brood increase!

Yours will be the honor of carrying the Vulcan's Hammer to the enemy Longreach Gate at Point Three-Hundred-Eighty.

Your grotto is my grotto; your nesting is my nesting; your broodlings my broodlings. Execute your orders.

45 sec

MISSION 15: WILD CARD

Broodsecondary, this is Broodmaster Sichhi. The smoke and fire from the enemy's Final Longreach Gate rises to the sky, writing your success upon the stars. Well and properly done.

But though the enemy's plan has now been slowed, the struggle is not yet over. The Precursors have given us one final surprise: a nonvisible but functional Far-Web Hubsphere is at this moment hidden in orbit above this world. Master Savant Chhim believes that there is a single control nucleus at Point Three-Hundred-Eighty-Three, similarly nonvisible, which will activate this Hubsphere.

43 sec

The awesome success would be for us to find and control this nucleus and its Far-Web Hubsphere. The awesome danger would be for the enemy to do so instead. With the nucleus located within the enemy's main stronghold territory, the danger is far more likely than the success.

We have therefore no choice but to immediately resume our attack on the enemy's stronghold. Your Brood Tenth will proceed to Point Three-Hundred-Eighty-Three and attempt to locate and activate the Precursor nucleus.

Your grotto is my grotto; your nesting is my nesting; your broodlings my broodlings. Execute your orders.

1.27 sec total